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LIBYANS APPARENTLY WERE SATISFIED WITH GERMAN REPLY OF NOVEMBER 6 TO THEIR DEMAND FOR "CLARIFICATION" OF GERMAN POSITION ON ISRAEL. RATHER THAN PRINT TEXT OF GERMAN REPLY, LIBYANS PUBLISHED ON NOVEMBER 7 NEWS OF CHANCELLOR BRANDT'S MESSAGE TO QADHAFI OF OCTOBER 16. THE LIBYAN NEWS AGENCY VERSION OF THIS MESSAGE CONTAINED REFERENCE TO THE NEED FOR AN "EQUITABLE SOLUTION OF THE PALESTINIAN ISSUE." LIBYANS PREFER THIS WORDING TO THE NOVEMBER 6 NOTE WHICH CITED GERMAN SUPPORT FOR THE RIGHTS OF "ALL PEOPLES IN THE AREA." LIBYAN RESPONSES HAVE INCLUDED ARRANGING FOR TROUBLE-FREE RESUMPTION OF LUFTHANSA SERVICE TO LIBYA (FIRST LH ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 12) AND PUBLIC STATEMENT ON

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NOVEMBER 10, OF NEWS THAT GERMAN SHIP "MAJESTIC"  
PERMITTED TO SAIL TO WEST GERMANY WITH LOAD OF  
GELSENBERG CRUDE. LIBYANS SAY SHIP ORIGINALLY HELD  
BECAUSE CARGO CONSIGNED TO ROTTERDAM REFINERY BUT  
THAT GELSENBERG HAD NOW PROMISED OFFLOADING AT GERMAN  
PORT.

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